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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Thomas J. Smith, et al.Application No./Patent No.: 7,121,192 Filed/Issue Date: 10/17/2006Entitled: PISTON RING COATINGMahle Engine Components USA, Inc., a Corporation
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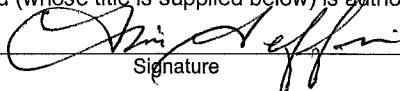
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